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Subj: WT 16-239
RM-11708

FCC,

I was first licensed at the age of 13 in 1977 and am now 52 years young. Amateur Radio has been a huge part of my life and my family's life as well. There are 4 licensed "Hams" in our family and I am proud to say they all are Morse Code (CW) aficionados.

I am also a veteran, and during my 23 years of active duty naval service, my father provided communications for sailors and their loved ones from all parts of the world. Indeed, amateur radio provides a great deal of benefit even in today's high tech world.

As CW operators, we have taught many Scouts the skill of Morse Code as well as provide a hot bed of activity for them to achieve their merit badges AND in many cases, were the catalyst for years of enjoyment in electronics, communication AND most importantly, CW!

The segments of the amateur radio spectrum currently set aside just for CW is required to allow a designated play ground for those in the US to go and enjoy CW without the interference of wide band communication transmissions.

PLEASE consider the ramifications of altering or changing the guidelines which currently are very manageable as well as "FAIR".

I am NOT in favor of WT 16-239 or RM-1170.

Thank you and God Bless,

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N4BAA – Extra Class FCC License holder since age 15.
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